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SUBJECT:

Daily Progress Report for Tuesday, 30 September 1952

1. BOFIEND - Athens reports that the Fig Team debriefing took place on 27 September. This team was to have established a permanent radio base north of Korce and investigate the possibility of the defection of high level army and political figures. However, three hours after infiltration on the night of 23-24 September the team was challenged by an army unit and a fire fight immediately broke out. The fighting continued for an hour and half until the team had reached the safety of the frontier. One member of the team was wounded slightly and two of the enemy were killed. The team's signal plan was destroyed during the retreat and the radio abandoned after being set aftre by fire grenade. Three members of the team lost their equipment. The successful exfiltration is attributed to the quality of the team and its excellent leadership. The team's morale is high and the general condition of the members good so it is planned to reinfiltrate the team

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